

Waterton-Glacier
International Peace Park Association

Minutes

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

Saturday, April 13, 2019– 8:30 a.m. to 11:42 a.m.
Coeur d'Alene Inn and Convention Center,
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, USA

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order, by the President, William Gordon, at 8:30 a.m.
2. Introduction of Directors and Guests: President William Gordon welcomed those attending the meeting and had everyone introduce themselves that was in attendance. The President thanked the former and present District Governors, Superintendents and guests for being present and for their service.
3. A partial listing of those attending the meeting is attached as Appendix A.
4. Additions to and approval of the Agenda: The agenda was discussed and approved with the addition that:
 - a. Kees van der Pol asked that we hold quarterly meetings instead of bi-annual meetings.
 - b. Fran Leggett had held a session on Friday night, April 12, 2019 regarding a plan to update our goals and action plan.
5. Approval of the BOD minutes of the September 22, 2018 AGM in East Glacier, Montana. Dr. Glenn Coulter pointed out that there was a set of "Revised" "Proposed Resolutions For September 22, 2018 WGIPPA BOD Meeting" and provided the Secretary with a copy that has been attached hereto. Also on page 3 the official name of the conference was "Peace and the Environment". Page 5, strike the "e" from Handle and make it Handl.

Motion: Moved by Roy Beekman that the minutes with changes be approved. Ed Handl seconded the motion. – Passed unanimously.
6. Tom Esch of the Kalispell Day Break Club gave a report of the 2018 AGM. He showed the members present a stamp that had been developed to be used on passports and other

promotional material in the parks. An impression of the stamp was placed on the Attendance Roster. Mike Foster, from the Kalispell Day Break club volunteered to M.C. the event in 2019 if the host club wanted. Esch reported that after AGM they had a surplus of \$3,726 and asked for a proposal of where the funds should go. A discussion was had regarding the division of the money. Glenn Coulter reported the Lethbridge Clubs did not need seed money so the proceeds could be put into the WGIPPA Account. It was agreed that \$1,500.00 would be put into the U.S. Account so that the exchange rate can be avoided. When shuffling money back and forth.

A motion was made by Glenn Coulter and seconded by Marshall Gingery. The motion passed unanimously.

7. WGIPPA Financial Reports.

Glenn Coulter gave a financial report for the 2018-2019 fiscal year to date. He reported that there was \$4,016.49 Canadian in the Canadian Account.

Millie Baycroft was not present, however, she had provided a report that showed there was currently \$8,442.15 U.S. in the U.S. Account.

Glenn Coulter moved to adopt the report. Roy Beekman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Business arising from the September 2018 Meeting.

8(A). Host Report. Glenn Coulter gave the host Club report. He reported that there would be golfing for those interested on Friday September 13, 2019. In the afternoon there will be a Board of Director's Meeting allowing for a business discussion prior to the evenings function.

Friday evening there will be a pig roast barbeque to be provided in part by a local Hutterite Colony. Entertainment will be "The Wardens" a trio from Banff that will sing and present a slide show.

The Superintendents will be requested to report. Discussions will include archaeological sites found after Waterton Park burned; peace park expansion talks; conservation related issues; the interfacing with the indigenous peoples to promote Waterton Glacier as a place to negotiate and promote peace.

After these presentations, the AGM will be held and then a happy hour and the evening banquet.

On Sunday there will be a church service and then the Hands Across the Border Ceremony.

Glenn Coulter also asked for a volunteer from each District to get information out to Rotarian in their Districts. Norm McCarvell; Mike Foster and Nicole Konkin volunteered to help. Glenn reported that they had contacted the park and requested that they absorb the cost of entry and the park service indicated they could not do that.

8 (B). Carl Prinzing reported that he had been in communication with various parties including RI. That there are 5 new trans boundary parks currently being considered involving 10 countries. There is still activity in South Africa, and Botswana was looking at getting involved, but is dropping out. They are working on finding another entity to get involved and endorse the Fellowship of Peace Parks. He reported there are several other locations involved, but unfortunately there are no Rotarians involved for us to work with. Todd Waters is also working on the matter and Carl is hopeful he will be able to get endorsements and help from some others. Currently, Canada, South Africa and the United States have signed off, but we can not proceed with the application until we can get two more to sign off.

It is hoped that with the Pakistan and India situation, that we can get them involved and get the two we need.

8 ©. Carl reported that the Crown of the Continent was cancelled last year. This year it is right after the WGIPPA Assembly. It will be held in Polson, Montana.

8 (D). Glenn Coulter stated that he had been in contact with John Vrolijk regarding the expansion of Waterton Lakes National Park. He stated that a committee was being set up who would move forward with discussions around the park. It is possible if there is an expansion, that it may be a new park rather than an expansion of Waterton Lakes National Park. There may be some First nations concerns, however, things are progressing in a positive way. There is no definite time line and an environmental assessment needs to be done before it can move forward.

8 (E). This issue was discussed under New Business at 9 (G) and 9 (L)

9. NEW BUSINESS

9 (A). Norm McCarvell reported that he had nothing at this time to report on the Counsel on Legislation.

9 (B). Kees van der Pol gave a report on his recent trip to the Pakistan/India Border and a proposal for a peace park. He reported that he has set up a steering committee and that they have made a presentation to representatives of the UK Parliament. He says that they have located a parcel of property along the border that would be suitable for a Peace Park. He reported on the political situation on the border. A proposal was made to place his information on the WGIPPA website and link the two websites. William Gordon, President, indicated he would check with the website manager about linking the sites.

9 (C) Carl Prinzing reported that the Fellowship was progressing slowly. He discussed the need for additional sponsors to sign on in order to submit our application. He is continuing to gather information and work on the Fellowship.

9(D). Superintendent Mow did not attend and therefore, there was no report from Glacier Park.

9(E). Superintendent Salman Rasheed did not attend, so there was no report from Waterton Lakes National Park.

9(F). Kees van der Pol discussed the need to change some of the WGIPPA branding to conform with R.I. rules. After discussion, Glenn Coulter moved to change WGIPPA's logos, etc., to fit with R.I. Rules. Betsey Mulligan-Dague seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9(G) & 9(H). A discussion was had regarding Resolutions 7 & 8 from the 2018 AGM. Resolution #7 addressed allowing Directors to serve an extra term. Resolution #8 addressed whether or not a Director can also serve as an Officer simultaneously. It was agreed that the two resolutions it would have to be presented to the AGM 28 days prior to the Assembly for a vote. Glenn Coulter was going to draft some proposed language and circulate it for comment.

Glenn Coulter made the motion and Marshall Gingery seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

9(I). A discussion was had regarding the need to do a Virtual Meeting using various apps, such as Zoom. It was discussed that a license might be necessary to use the application. It was agreed that it may allow some people to attend that might otherwise not attend. It was also discussed that it may take away from the meeting by allowing people to not attend that should be present. John Plicher suggested that the Bylaws may need to be amended to provide for Virtual Meetings. It was also discussed that there would be a need to make certain the necessary technology was available at any designated meeting place. A number of members felt that eye to eye meetings were much more effective.

Kees van der Pol made the Motion that WGIPPA meet quarterly, with 2 of those meetings being face to face and 2 virtual for one year and see how it works. Glenn Coulter seconded the motion. It passed with Ed Handl opposing the motion.

9(J). A discussion was had on how to involve the new District 5080 in the WGIPPA. The suggestion was made that the Bonner's Ferry, Idaho and the Sandpoint, Idaho Rotary Clubs sponsor the Assembly in 2020. Carl Prinzing volunteered the Missoula, Montana Club to assist if they agreed. William Gordon indicated that District 5370 would do the Assembly in 2021, and Roy Beekman volunteered the Kalispell Club for the year 2022.

9(K). John Pilcher suggested that a photograph and biography for each Director and Officer be posed to the website. Chris McLean agreed to look at several sites and see how they do it. She commented that it added personality in the website and that it should be relatively easy to add the photos and bios.

9(L). Frans Plan. Fran Leggett had the board engage in an SOAR Planning Process exercise to help determine what the organization wanted to do in the future. There was a consensus that there was a need to enhance and promote; make more visible; and make the organization more relevant. One way to do that was to set up groups or committees such as Peace and Conflict; Marketing; Outreach and Extension; and Relationships. Many other ideas were put forth on potential subjects. Fran indicated that she would work out a proposal and send it out to the board.

With that, the President, William Gordon made closing remarks thanking everyone for coming and participating. The meeting was adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

Greg Duncan, Secretary WGIPPA